

# KENTUCKY ARTISAN CENTER at BEREA E-NEWS

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#### FROM THE DIRECTOR

It was a very busy summer at the Kentucky Artisan Center at Berea and we are looking forward to the fall weather and holiday seasons.

A new exhibit program, "Hammered" is about to unveil. This program is designed to offer exhibit opportunities to Kentucky sculptors and to give the center greater artistic visibility from I-75. Kicking off this program are large metal dinosaurs created by Rich Kolb of Yardbirds. Look for a T-Rex and Triceratops on our interstate west lawn!

We have created new print ads and are stocking up with new inventory to prepare for holiday shopping, adding new works, new products and new artists. Our gallery exhibit "Have a Seat: Chairs by Kentucky Artisans" is a fabulous show of creativity.

Come see artists demonstrate and keep up with our events and activities on <a href="Facebook">Facebook</a> or our <a href="website">website</a> and we hope to see you soon at the Kentucky Artisan Center at Berea!



#### TODD FINLEY

Executive Director Kentucky Artisan Center at Berea An Agency in the Tourism, Arts and Heritage Cabinet Commonwealth of Kentucky

### **Exhibits & Events**

#### **GALLERY EXHIBIT**

#### "HAVE A SEAT: CHAIRS BY KENTUCKY ARTISANS"

Now Through Feb. 25, 2017









<u>Photos, left to right:</u> "Twisted Perch" by Page Candler; "Literal Chair" by Mark Needham; "Good Morning, Mrs. Bradshaw" by John Andrew Dixon; "Altoid Settee # 3" by Chuck Pearson

The center's gallery exhibit "Have a Seat: Chairs by Kentucky Artisans" showcases the work of 33 Kentucky artists.

The definition of a chair varies, but the most basic description declares that a chair has a seat or surface to sit upon and legs. This exhibit follows that sentiment, offering ingeniously designed chairs of all sizes. Artists have created newly made functional seating as well as non-functional miniatures, repurposed chairs and whimsical interpretations of the form.

Works in this exhibit are constructed from a wide range of materials including forged iron and steel, wood, sheet metal, felted wool, wire, natural vines and bark, clay, leather, acrylic, tree branches, recycled bourbon barrels, recycled Altoid boxes, as well as a variety of repurposed chairs.

# LOBBY EXHIBITS "KENTUCKY CLAY: A CONTINUING TRADITION"

This exhibit showcases and explains how the wealth of clay deposits all across Kentucky gave rise to an abundance of potters, ceramic industries and clay traditions.

Beginning with the origins of clay and early objects made from clay, the exhibit shows through text, photos and objects the scope of Kentucky ceramics. The exhibit covers early Native American pottery shards to today's contemporary ceramic works.

Stoneware from circa 1864 in "Kentucky Clay"



#### "REVEAL: MONICA PIPIA"

Large paintings and new limited edition prints by artist Monica Pipia are now on display at the Kentucky Artisan Center at Berea.

Pipia's paintings and new prints are considered by some to be folk art and others



as contemporary. Using simple lines and often large areas of pattern, Pipia renders her two favorite subjects, dogs and horses, in a style that is almost dreamlike.

"Reveal" is a new Kentucky Artisan Center program that provides exhibition opportunities for

Kentucky artists whose larger two-dimensional works cannot be accommodated within the center's regular retail spaces. (see Center News)

## Center News

# CELEBRATE AMERICAN CRAFT WEEK OCTOBER 1 - 16

Berea is home to numerous great destinations such as artisan studios, the Berea Arts Council, the Kentucky Artisan Center at Berea, the Kentucky Guild of Artists and Craftsmen, a wide range of galleries and studios offering exceptionally high quality art and craft, annual arts workshops, festivals and juried craft fairs.

With Berea having been voted as the number one favorite town for craft lovers by CRAFTS, the Center is planning events for the annual *Celebrate American Craft Week* held this year from October 1 through October 16.

Waco potter Bill Whitt will demonstrate how he hand builds clay bottles and jugs on Saturday, **October 1**, from 10:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. at the center.

On Saturday, **October 8**, Berea artist Kristal Gilkey of Alley Cat Pottery will demonstrate pottery on the wheel from 10:30 to 3:30 at the Kentucky Artisan Center at Berea.

On Saturday, **October 8**, the Kentucky Artisan Center at Berea will offer visitors free guided tours through the center's gallery exhibit, "Have a Seat: Chairs by Kentucky Artisans" and the lobby exhibits, "Kentucky Clay: A Continuing Tradition," and "Reveal: Monica Pipia."

Three members of the Berea Welcome Center Carvers will demonstrate a variety of woodcarving styles and techniques on Saturday, **October 15**, from 10:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. at the Kentucky Artisan Center at Berea.

#### **HAMMERED**

#### **NEW EXHIBIT PROGRAM KICKS OFF**

A new exhibit program titled "Hammered" is designed to give sculptors the opportunity to showcase large format works at the center. The program will kick-off with large metal dinosaur sculptures on the lawn facing I-75. These works were created by Rich Kolb or Yardbirds. This program will also help the center to gain visibility as an arts destination from the interstate. Look for the 13 foot tall T-Rex and eight foot tall Triceratops on our west lawn!



Continuing Hammered exhibits will become a regular part of the center's exhibition schedule through a statewide call-to-artists. Each year sculptures will be placed on the center's west and east lawns.

#### CALL TO ARTISTS - "REVEAL"

A call for submission will go out in October for Kentucky artists to submit images for consideration in the center's new "Reveal" exhibit program. "Reveal" will showcase large 2-D works by a Kentucky artist from January - April annually on the center's 20 foot long lobby wall.

These large format works will be shown and for sale over a four month period in the Center's lobby. These "Reveal" exhibits will become a regular part of the center's exhibition schedule through a statewide call-to-artists. For more information contact Gwen Heffner.

#### DECEMBER 30 - DEADLINE FOR NEXT ARTISAN REVIEW

Three times a year the Kentucky Artisan Center at Berea holds review sessions to consider works and products by Kentucky artisans who are not juried members of the Kentucky Arts Council programs or the Kentucky Guild of Artists and Craftsmen. Applications for the next review session are due December 30.

Application categories are:

- Visual Arts (crafts, and two-dimensional art)
- Books
- Music, Storytelling and other recordings/Films
- Kentucky Proud food products
- Beauty products

Artists can download applications from the Center's website.

Completed application forms along with additional requested materials can be mailed to: Artisan Review, Kentucky Artisan Center at Berea, 200 Artisan Way, Berea, KY, 40403. Applications may also be submitted at the Center's front desk from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. daily or E-mailed to: gwen.heffner@ky.gov

#### **NEW VISITOR SIGNAGE FOR BEREA**

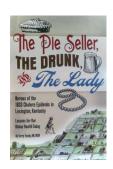
A new look can be seen in our lobby as Berea Tourism has redesigned their information space at the center. Tourism has also installed new signage throughout Berea to help visitors find all that the town has to offer.



# Staff Favorites

#### **DIRECTOR'S PICK**

Books make wonderful gifts. Our director is currently enjoying "The Pie Seller, The Drunk, and the Lady" by Terry Foody



#### **NEW WORKS - STAFF FAVORITES**

Staff has picked new works that are again available at the center.

Page Candler's miniature chairs

Sharon Major's new Repousse' jewelry

Sylvia Brestel's fiber chairs Willena Belden's paintings

#### **FOODIE FAVORITES - STAFF PICKS**

Our staff has favorite food products too. Here are some top picks: Crigger Farm Bourbon Creamed Honey

Evan Williams bourbon products Bev's chocolate covered Peanut Brittle Broadbent's Country Ham

#### **CAFE FAVORITES**

Favorite dishes created by our café include:
Bacon and cheese sandwich
Sausage biscuits
Bourbon Bread Pudding
Chicken Salad sandwich
Hot Brown (right)



# Upcoming Events in Berea

#### October 8-9, 2016

#### KENTUCKY GUILD OF ARTISTS & CRAFTSMEN FALL FAIR

Find great works of art and craft by juried Kentucky artists and craftsmen. Live music, great food and demonstrations. Indian Fort Theater. 859-986-3192 (Hours: Sat. 10-6 and Sun. 10-5) www.kyguild.org

#### October 14-15, 2016

#### **CELEBRATION OF TRADITIONAL MUSIC**

Concerts, jam sessions and more held across

#### 43rd Annual

the Berea College historic campus. Hosted by the Loyal Jones Appalachian Center. Performers include: Irish traditional singer Mary McPartlan along with Bertha Hope, The Local Honeys, Generation Gap, Jeff Keith, Donna and Lewis Lamb, The Carolina Colonels, Amythyst Kiah, Travis Stuart, Anndrena



Belcher, Berea College Music Ensembles and more. 859-985-3140 Visit the CTM website.

#### November 19, 2016

#### BEREA COLLEGE CRAFT HOLIDAY SALE

This popular annual sale features handcrafted items at incredible prices. Mueller Building, 100 Dixie Court. 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. 859/ 985-3220 <a href="https://www.bereacollegecrafts.com">www.bereacollegecrafts.com</a>

# Weekends November 25 thru December 18, 2016 MAKE IT, TAKE IT, GIVE IT

Make It, Take It, Give It offers so many ways to celebrate the holidays! With the guidance of expert artisans (and using their equipment), you can create a handmade gift worthy of becoming a family heirloom. Or you can "gift" a workshop to a special person and let them enjoy expressing their creativity. Better yet, come together and celebrate the joy of making something with your own hands and imaginations. <u>info@visitberea.com</u>

#### December 26 - January 1

#### CHRISTMAS COUNTRY DANCE SCHOOL

Learn traditional dance styles along with Appalachian clogging, square dancing, singing, music, crafts and parties. A great way to spend the holidays with family and friends - kicking up your heels! 859/985-3431 <a href="www.berea.edu/ccds">www.berea.edu/ccds</a>

### Artisans in the News

#### KENTUCKY ARTISAN CENTER AT BEREA

Well-known Berea photographer **Warren Brunner** showcases his "Children of Appalachia 1959-64" photographs at The Promenade Gallery in Berea. This exhibit celebrates Warren's near sixty years as a regional photographer and photo-documentarian. It is the first time that these images have been printed and shown as a group. "An Evening with Warren Brunner" was held Oct. 1 at the gallery, celebrating with both Warren and his longtime associate Loyal Jones.

Kentucky printmakers **Debby Stratford**, **Nicole Hand** and **Liz Foley** have their works in the exhibit "Printmaking in Kentucky" at Kaviar Gallery in Louisville, on display through Oct. 29.

Jeweler and painter **Rob Weingartner** has a one-man exhibit of paintings at the Pumphouse Gallery in Chillicothe, Ohio through the month of October.

Glass artist **Steve Heine** had "Blue Wash" [2015] and "Beetle" [2014] selected for "Gathering: Contemporary Glass from the Heartland" featuring emerging and established glass artists from Indiana, Illinois, Ohio, Michigan, Kentucky and Wisconsin. The show runs during the month of October at Ball State University in Muncie, IN.

Visual artist **Patricia Ritter** and woodworker **Gary Cooper** are also musicians and songwriters who performed at the Hippie Tipi Fall Barn Sale.

Woodturner **John Keeton** taught a class in woodturning called "Lidded Bowls" at the John C. Campbell Folk School in Brasstown, N.C. **Keeton** will teach another week long class and contiguous weekend at the school in January.

Printmakers Debby Stratford, Joanne Price, Gwen Heffner, and Debbie Shannon have their works in the exhibit "Small, Medium, Large" at the studio artists of Frankfort Crossings, in Louisville, during the Mid-America Print Council Conference. Oct. 5-8.

Photographer **Ed Lawrence** has his photographs in the exhibit Kentucky Through the Lens, at the Downtown Arts Center's City Gallery. The exhibit included a mix of urban and rural landscapes.

Pastel artist Marianna McDonald had an exhibit of her works and gave a talk on Sept. 15 about her work on display at Campbellsville University's

Pence-Chowning Art Gallery.

Visual artist **Kathleen O'Brien** gave a gallery talk Oct. 4, in conjunction with curator Brandon Long at the exhibit "Horizon: Contemporary Landscapes" at the Community Arts Center in Danville.

Photographer Walter Roycraft presented "Lunch with the Arts" at the Danville Community Center on Sept. 21.

Basketmakers Virginia Petty, Page Candler, Janet Northern, Scott Gilbert, Beth Hester and Jennifer Zurick have work in the exhibit "Standing the Test of Time: Kentucky's White Oak Basket Tradition" at the Kentucky Museum at Western Kentucky University on Sept. 16. They also gave basketmaking workshops preceding the opening and on the following day Sept. 17.

Visual Artist Elsie Harris has had her acrylic painting "Ginkgo Gold" published in the International Dictionary of Artists, Vol 1. This painting was purchased by Eastern Kentucky University's Department of Libraries.

Visual artist **Patricia Brock** has two photographs "Color Reflection" and "Water Pattern" in the Kentucky Art Council's exhibit "Ways of Seeing" which will travel the state from Oct. 2016 through Dec. 2017.

Fiber artist **Jan Durham** had an exhibit "Tactile Expressions" at M S Rezny Studio and Gallery in September.

Ceramic artist **Amelia Stamps** won the Best of Kentucky award at the Woodland Art Fair in Lexington.

Fiber artist Alyce Grover's work won the People's Choice Award at the Southeast Fiber Arts Alliance Square Foot Fiber Art Pin Up show in Chamblee GA near Atlanta. Other fiber art works were juried into the MS Rezny Firmly Rooted show in Lexington and the Shaped by Water exhibit at the Gallery on Main in Richmond. A piece from the Berea Arts Gallery Quilts with a Kick and Fiber Art show will go to St. Joseph's Hospital of Berea to display through September.

Ceramic artist **Seth Green** has his work in "UNL Ceramic Alumni Exhibition" at the University of Nebraska-Lincoln's Eisentrager-Howard Gallery from Oct. 7-21.

Flame Run Gallery, partnering with Louisville's Rodolfo Salgado and Susanna Crum of Calliope Arts Printmaking Studio is creating an exhibit of hybrid glass and printmaking in conjunction with the Mid America Printmaking Conference to be held in Louisville in October. Works by Devin French, Johnny Gordon, Brandon Smith, Brad Vetter and Jayden Wilson will be featured in "Crystal Editions: An Intersection of Glass and Printmaking." The show will run Sept. 2 until Nov. 17 with a reception on Friday, Oct. 7 from 5:30 to 9 p.m.

### Calendar

#### **GALLERY EXHIBITS**

through Feb. 25, 2017

"Have a Seat: Chairs by Kentucky Artisans"

#### **LOBBY EXHIBITS**

Through Nov. 24

"Clay in Kentucky: A Continuing Tradition"

Through Dec. 31

"Reveal: Monica Pipia"

#### **OCTOBER EVENTS - FOCUS ON CERAMICS**

Events are from 10:30 AM to 3:30 PM (unless otherwise noted)

#### POTTERY ON THE WHEEL DEMONSTRATION

Saturday, October 8 Kristal Gilkey, Berea, KY

#### FREE GUIDED GALLERY TOURS AT KENTUCKY ARTISAN CENTER

Saturday, October 8 - 11 a.m. and 2 p.m.

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#### WOODCARVING DEMONSTRATION

Saturday, October 15

Berea Welcome Center Carvers

#### POTTERY FACE JUG DEMONSTRATION

Saturday, October 22

Robert Brigl, Bowling Green, KY

#### CARVES WHEEL THROWN STONEWARE

Saturday, October 29

Mike Ware, Hindman, KY

### **NOVEMBER EVENTS - FOCUS ON GLASS**

#### GLASS LAMPWORKED ORNAMENT DEMONSTRATION

Saturday, Nov. 5

Steve Scherer, Edmonton, KY

#### STAINED GLASS ORNAMENT DEMONSTRATION

Saturday, Nov. 12

Marlene Dennis, Louisville, KY

FREE GUIDED GALLERY TOURS AT KENTUCKY ARTISAN CENTER Saturday, Nov. 12 - 11 a.m. and 2 p.m. Center Staff

WOODCARVING DEMONSTRATION Saturday, Nov. 19 Berea Welcome Center Carvers

LAMPWORKED BEAD DEMONSTRATION Saturday, Nov. 26 TBA



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